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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending last Saturday was

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copies, the largest circulation of any daily paper in Vermont outside of Burlington.

Lawrence is the place for Gov. Fosa to make or break himself.

the population in grip of tuberculosis."

in his home state of Ohio during the present visit.

It is a fine thing to have a fresh-air room in every school building in Boston, but how about having proper ventilation in every room in the buildings? The installing of some system to effect the latter would make a fresh-air room

furnishing us an old-fashioned winter; back. The cost to the city will no doubt treatment February is about to accord us. If February does the right thing, possibility of a sidewalk along that it will continue the winter weather and street through the removal of the old us. If February does the right thing, get it over with before next June,

The Fair Haven Era thinks there is part of street. It has always been ima fair chance of Thomas H. Browne of Rutland coming into his own soonmeaning the collectorship of the port of Burlington after Mr. Browne, with street are not only the means of givthe aid of others, has landed a Democrat ing our business men the opportunity mitted: Mr. Browne is the Democrat from flooding and better fire and po-who is doing the most rustling around lice protection as the fire and police in Vermont these days; and if rustling department can now work from both counts for anything, why Mr. Browne might rustle himself into the collector's job, if-well, that's another story.

One paragraph from the annual report of the board of health at Springfield, Mass., is of particular interest to Barre people at the present time. The para-

"The danger of tuberculosis from infected milk is being taken up by the department and the inspectors are urging producers to buy cows which have been tuberculin tested or guaranteed to be free from tubercutosis. The gurantee adds about \$5 to the price per cow, but a good many of the better class of producers are falling in line with the idea by only adding to their herds cows thus guaranted. This matter will be pushed along and good results will come

The same suggestion might well be made by the Barre board of health.

GIFTS TO VERMONT TOWNS.

In Wallace Robinson of Boston, the feet town of Reading finds a friend who is partly by the city and partly by the state money; 2,758 square yards of paywilling to lift off the town the load ing block was laid on our Main street, of building a new town hall. Mr. Rob-also 327 square yards of paving laid inson's interest and his loyalty are to be commended; and it is hoped that the and Elm streets, besides considerable reambition to do for itself will not be stallation of the new drinking fountain. stripped from the town which accepts The improvement at this point has been commented on favorably and is certainly drawback to the acceptance of such gifts will be the means of averting accidents is that it may develop among the people which might have occurred by conjection of the community a feeling that they of traffic at that part. can depend on some kind friends; it robs them of a certain independence. on permanent streets considerable of So it is up to Reading to combat any that, some if not all will be paid back Mr. Robinson's gift. We speak of this in a general way, not being acquainted was caused by washouts, which no council son to call on it is a very poor one, with the spirit of the people of that old over, \$982.05 more has been paid on sew-conducted with the intention of giving any of Reading's residents.

BARRE'S QUIET PROGRESS.

quiet progress during the past year, here a city which is going through that the approval of every one. solidifying process that follows very erable of the street appropriation should rapid growth. That is why the more visible evidences of development are not shape, by a little overhauling and a little more attention paid to the cleantime; but that does not mean lack of ing of refuse from same until such time; progress, you may be assured. Barre as we have better sidewalks. Take for is "fixing out," reducing the evidences of instance our main street, the sidewalks sharp angles in its physical aspects and be renewed and proper level put to adding to its attractiveness. Residents some. In bad weather some places are who look upon the conditions from day impassable and foot travellers have to to day and week to week may not go on the street. There is nothing more see the evidences of a municipality coming to maturity, but others who make walking on a good sidewalk. Other poroccasional visits are prompt to note the tions of our city outside of business terchanges for better in the city. We have ritory should have better attention in in mind a great many features which ing the health of the public and increas-show steady advancement and fewer ing the value of the property. Am than usual that are disquieting to a sure if our pext street department take well-wisher of the city. The balance is much in favor of progress.

New Facts About Eczema.

For years eczema was thought to be by many people. But since the comfiguring skin diseases. It is soothing each party would only have to pay a and healing to an inflamed, irritated or trifle, while the amounts collected from diseased skin. It stops the itching at some might not only pay the expense once, and begins healing with the first application. It is antiseptic, and when fore help your street department in applied to an open sore or wound pre-vents infection from disease germs. Cadum quickly acts upon eczema, pimples, rough skin, chafings, itching piles, etc. At all druggists, 10e and 25c

(Continued from first page.) vance Barre granite in the markets,

where they at the present time cannot Am sorry to say at the present time we have not the guarantee of the erec-tion of a hotel for our city or the soldiers monument as would have been expected, but still believe that both projects will and can be accomplished. much has been said in regard to the

need of the one and the advantage it may bring to our business men, on the other, apart from the fact that it is the duty of every citizen to see that it should be done, that we will forbear from repeating same:

The idea of substituting the present bridge on South Main street by a bridge

built of Barre granite was suggested by our local press, or suggestion was made through that press. We believe it would be a good one but, of course, could never be taken in hand by your council, Alas, Alaska! "Fifty per cent, of but might be arranged whereby our city council would allow a certain amount for the erection of a bridge while it might be possible for some of that grout President Taft's chances depend a lying on the hill, otherwise Graniteville, great deal on the impression he makes manufacturers at this end might arrange some means whereby that grout might be put into shape for the city to erect. Of course this is only an idea but the city will have to put a new bridge there at no far distant date and may begin to calculate on same.

River Change.

The accomplishment of the changing bed of Steven's branch has apparently met with unanimous approval from all parties. The total cost of work being considerable under what had been estimated for assessments, therefore the January has lived up to traditions in abuttors will receive part of assessments we are looking ahead to the be approved by the citizens in regard to improved conditions around the whole section, also the improved grade and the fire station building, which in itself means considerable for the public, living

or having occasion to travel over that

possible to make sidewalk in that direc blocks on Main street from Prospect for better display of their merchandise but also the guarantee of less danger sides of the blocks, that means the equivalent of added fire department

equipment also better police protection. The accommodation in regard to traffic for the public taking considerable of some to the rear of the blocks will be benefited. The alterations made at the back of the blocks will add more to the grand list of our city and if everything is figured out it will be shown that this is the best business venture that the City of Barre has adopted since incorporation.

While our streets are not yet in the ondition that they should be for the public good and convenience, they are ing put in better shape every year, and at the present are in fairly good condition for so small a community Considerable money had to be expended on repairs of streets, some of same at the request of the residents in that locality; more money was required to put streets in shape by the washouts that occurred this year. Such expense will be an uncertainty especially no permanent work has been always be an uncertainty at upper Washington street, 11,825 lineal being macadamized, said being paid

streets this year than last; \$7,149.47 more | machine, such tendency as they to-morrow accept be abuttors' share of assessment. 81, 854.18 more on streets of which the most was caused by washouts, which no council and respected community; therefore, we ers but there has been laid 1,232 feet trust that no particular offense will be more of sewers this year than last. I taken if these lines come to the notice of is advisable on sewers as it not only believe that this expending of money adds to the convenience of the parties that may be connected, but to the welfare of the community. Less money has been expended on surface sewers The city of Barre has been making through the fact that the work of the new permanent street work had already been connected with to surface and other bodies in our city, which we sewers. The work done by the street have a large number of, it would cost more rapidly during the year to come. department for the amount of money Let calamity howlers howl, we have expended, we are sure must meet with

We believe that during 1912, considare in very bad shape and should all encouraging to residents of our city or visitors to same than the comfort of regard to sidewalks, thereby safeguardup the consideration of some means of keeping our streets in a cleaner manner it would not only be advantageous to the public in cleanliness but perhaps revenue to the city. It will be noted by the street superintendent's report considerable money is expended on cleaning incurable, and it is so considered to-day streets but there being no system at tached to same, no one knows the work pounding of Cadum, eczema is now a done, therefore we believe that some curable disease. Cadum has proved a system of collecting rubbish from stores, blessing to many who have suffered for years from distressing, stubborn and dis-

but be a revenue to the city and there-

The -condition of has been very satisfactory during the past year even through that hard dry spell in the midst of hot weather, no If everyone would do as they should do, voir ought to be cleaned out and kept

from sources free of contaminathing in Barre water department that we ought to protect as it will be the means not only of helping us out in water supply but if properly attended to will ultimately help us out in a lower tax rate which will help everyone in our city. At the present time there is very few people paying so small a rate on water in the United States than in Batre.

I believe that the recommendations of the regular domestic rate but would be ssible to substitute rate for meters they actually use, where as it is well expenditure on same see known that in some plants at the present time care is taken with the water. while in others it is abused and allowed to run night and day, which condition is not fair to the other manufacturers that may try to conserve the waste.

I believe this department has been nducted in a very able manner durng the year especially when the change had to be made in our cement system through the lowering of grade on the town of Barre roads, is considered, 576 feet of old cement line to be removed and replaced with east iron pipe cost of which is chargeable to this depart-

Fire Department.

This department has again shown its efficiency and satisfaction to the pubof Barre. While they have responded to 59 alarms during this year, the loss through fire has been very small. The net cost of maintaining the department is less than previous years and under the appropriation, although they have not done so much work for the street department as previously, which speaks well for the management of same. The council has tried to arrange a system of more time off for the men, also an increase in pay for longer periods of service which it is to be hoped will still further add to the efficiency and good work of the comlights should be placed on all alarm boxes and kept burning from sun down to sun rise. If it is necessary to have these boxes advertised and painted red, in daylight, is it not more necessary that some mark of attention should be drawn to them in the hours of darkness when the chances for fire are more increased than at any other time

Sooner or later it will have to be decided whether a new fire station and add-ed equipment be installed at North Barre or if a new auto truck installed at headquarters would be the best. We believe that the installation of an auto truck of good and capable make would be of the best service to the city at the present time as the outlay would practically cover the extra expenditure. The fire department could hire one pair day in the week, thereby having increased equipment at about the same cost of maintenance, whereas if a new heve the cost of building also the pay of at least two permanent men and perhaps new apparatus. Whatever can be done to help this department to a still better stage of efficiency should be done with due consideration not only to the smaller cost to the city, but what would be most advantageous to the public and to the credit of Barre. are satisfied that the present force of men wil do everything in their powof men will do everything in their pow-More money has been spent on the with hose reel chemicals or anto truck

Poor Department.

This department according to its name one for the city, and by some accounts from those who have occasion to call on it is a very poor one, all relief that is possible for the city to give and are satisfied that the members of that department have spent more time and energy to try and figure what 8900.00 more for that department this total of almost \$8,000.00 for the year.

and other bodies in our city, which we our city twice as much; therefore, it behooves us all to encourage fraternalism and unionism in the city of Barre as each of these orders are protecting their members to the best of their abilkeep the tax rate at a low minimum.

Schools.

The schools of our city have been kept to their usual high standard and perhaps have eclipsed same as we now having an evening drawing school attached, which apparently is good satisfaction not only to pupils but to our school commissioners and their hope is to extend the conveniences raththan decrease. We're disappointed that the additional cost had to be put as an increase to our tax rate; however, the money is well spent according to

Their recommendation for increased rooms by addition to the high school should be given honest consideration before the next city meeting so that no one may be there without knowing the subject as is very often the case. We are sorry the solution for proper entrance to the latest addition to schools, namely, Lincoln school, has not been accomplished. This matter shows one of the drawbacks of the commisioners having to depend on other bodies If the commissioners had the authority to decide on this matter alone we know that the matter would have been settled sometime ago. However, we hope that these committees now having the matter in hand will be can be closed up. These committees being school commissioners, property committee of the city council, from Congregational church, the holders

of the deed for said piece of land. Police Department.

anxiety was felt by the inhabitants of or were told to do, we would not need for an emergency supply as it is capable our city while all surrounding districts police; however, we may congratulate of holding 5,000,000 gallons of water, every means was being devised to save ourselves in the modest outlay of this. They warned users of the city water not only water used for industrial pur- department while apparently everyone against waste, although there is no fear poses, but even for domestic purposes. has been amply protected and no one of a shortage at present. They thought While we, the citizens of Barre, were abused. This department has been the installation of meters through the enjoying the pure, healthy and sanitary worked under the expenses of the pre-city would decrease the waste. The resupply from our new reservoir, taking vious year although considerable sick- port was signed by Aldermen Willey, ness has been amongst our officers. The Ward and McLeod. tion of any kind even in the driest and hot- chief being off duty for thirteen weeks, test of weather, that in its self is and at the present time the well known enough to be proud of but when we officer Gamble being off duty which has take into consideration the fact that reduced our force considerably during ail our working plants employing thous- the year and has been the occasion of ands of men have never had to close their places of business for lack of water while every other surrounding district were deriving means to keep the domestic which has been called for by the pubsupply in shape in a small way. We lie for sometime past. Are sure the admust certainly feel that we have some- dition will not only be the means of

The last resting place of every citizen and there is surely none getting better of Barre, his family and perhaps near nor more sanitary supply for the money relations should have special attention given to it and all assistance possible for improvements on the grounds should tem of garbage collection. the superintendent in regard to instal- be accorded our commissioners. The of meters in all manufacturing present year the commissioners have plants is the only and proper way to made great improvements not only in sible, the police committee, Aldermen rive every manufacturer a fair show, regard to the entrance but throughout would not be necessary to charge the grounds and we have no doubt if encouraged in the work that they have set before them, we will have something for manufacturing purposes, of the now to be proud of in the near future, and established rate and in time of scarcity will not be ashamed to know that we of water, every one would pay for what will ultimately have to rest there. For

Sound finances are one of the basic principles of stable government and we feel that the close of the year 1911 finds ours mostly in a good healthy The progressive ideas held by our citizens regarding improvements and the insistence with which they press the same makes it more and more of a problem each year to keep abreast with the times on our present tax rate and still keep our indebtedness within a reasonable limit; but until such time as we can get a material increase in our grand list, we will always have to contend with the question of a high tax

A reference to the report of the assessors will show that the amount of deductions for debts owing made last year's grand list amounted \$647,662 more than the deductions of the previous year, an amount which seems to us excessive. If this property could have been taxed at last year's rate it would have produced a sum equal to what would have been raised a tax of 2812 cents on last year's grand list or in other words, if this amount of property had been taxed last year, a tax rate of \$2.0616 would have produced the same amount of revenue as was produced from the tax of \$2.35.

It is to be hoped that the next legislawill pass a law that will in way regulate in a more satisfactory manner the taxation of personal prop

By referring to the report of the fi committee it will be seen that satisfactory progress has been made in the past year, the issue of \$15,000-four per cent, refunding bonds which matured last May was retired, and our sirking fund still shows an increase of almost \$2,000 over the preceding year; only supplied provisions for his family and the full year's business shows a in their predicament, his wife having net gain to the city of \$8,767.47.

There is one branch of our finances that I do not consider to be in as good covered from illness. condition as they ought to be, I refer to the charity committee. to the trust funds left with the city for The usual weekly warrants were what the city has complied in every re- was one warrant to pay Dr. spect with the law regarding the mat- Jackson \$25, for will increase and will soon become a and John Nicholson

yearly burden. We believe that these funds should be preserved intact and invested instead of going into the city treasury and being expended for general city purposes, as has been done in the past. Although under the law the city is not liable the principal of these funds, it is liable the annual interest; and without the funds to earn the interest, the same National Life Ins. Co., of Vt.

Referring to the water department finances, we believe now that the Orange reservoir has been completed, there will be a large yearly surplus of earnings over expenditures in this department and that said surplus should be used to reduce the bonds issued on account of our water system.

We do not believe that it will be good might be best for all parties than has financing on the part of the city to previously been done. It has cost about use this surplus for general city purposes, as long as we have so many water bonds to meet; at the present time there is \$235,000 water bonds outstanding, and If it was not for the many fraternal the only provision made to meet the nd other bodies in our city, which we same is \$5,000 yearly; at this rate it would take 47 years to retire these bonds, which we believe is too long a period; a certain portion at least of the surplus income should be set aside each year for the purpose of meeting a por-tion of these bonds when they mature, be expended on sidewalks. Our streets ity and are helping in no mean way to and we hope that this matter will receive serious consideration in the near

It will be noted that provision has been made for all night lighting to com-mence October 1912. We believe that if satisfactory arrangements can be and would recommend that the lighting committee be instructed to find out the best possible proposition regarding the same. As in our opinion we should be in the position to demand all night lighting for the public good and con-venience, the same would add to the effiiency of the police and fire departments,

Would take this opportunity of com-mending the work of the different departments and their different heads, city ngineer, fire chief, water and street su perintendents, and chief of police for their prompt and continued attention to their work and the able way they have handled the same. To the members of the city council I

would say that I appreciate the way that they have conducted their business; while we may not have always agreed on a subject, we have always been in a position that our business has been conducted without friction. And would extend my thanks to then

for their assistance in our work also the city clerk for his able and valuable assistance in our meeting. Respectfully yours, James Mutch, Mayor.

Other Reports Presented.

Supplementing the water superintendent's report, the water committee re-This department is one of the most ervoirs are in good shape, and they necessary departments in-civic affairs, recommended that the old Orange reser-

The library committee, Aldermen Willey, Rossi and McLeod, reported that the had purchased 389 books for the public library and now had a total of

French Barre library, reported a total of 2,270 volumes and they have a cash

considerable extension of the sewer, which has made the outbreak of disease less likely, but there is still a chance for further extension. The breeding places for flies, the carriers of disease, ought to be wiped out, the committee bought. They recommended also a sys-

Desiring to increase the efficiency of the police department in every way pos-Willey, Brown and Rossi, reported they had installed the civil service method of appointment to the police force, and thought it had been promotive of good for the service. They also in ormed the people about certain changes in the physical equipment of the police station

The city's property was reported to be in good shape as a rule, by the proerty committee. Aldermen Willey, Ward and McLeod. The city hall is in good repair; the scenery in the opera house needs repairing; the exterior of the building has been made more attractive a granite stablet at the entrance and cleaning some of the granite trim-No repairs have been made on old town ball, and the exterior needs The old fire station on Prospect street has been disposed of to R. L. Clark. A few repairs have been made the buildings on the city farm; also to the band stand. The Mertz house has been repaired and both tenements are now occupied. All the property has been insured over.

Voted to Accept An Old Street.

Aside from the acceptance of these eports, one other important action was taken in the vote to accept a deed from Mrs. Calista Bolster for the westerly end of West street from Main street to the railroad track, provided Mrs. Bolster can give a satisfactory title. This matter has been hanging fire for som

The lighting committee reported favor of 32-candle power lights on Hall street and Upland avenue, and the report was accepted and the lights ordered installed. Simonds & Marks applied for right to run a skating rink on the Trow & Holden pond, also for appointment as special policemen there. They were informed the council has no right to grant a license for a private venture on public property, and their request to be appointed special policemen was declared

lice committee. request to help pay the rent and had in their predicament, his wife having fallen on the street and broken ber wrist and be himself having just re-

the care of cemetery lots. Not but drawn and ordered paid, and in addition Joe W. ter; the law only holds the city respon- cer for December. It was reported latsible for the interest of the funds and er in the meeting that Health Offinot for the principal; but these funds cer Jackson had intimated his intention are accumulating to quite a large sup, to submit a report of the deaths in the the amount at present being \$8,540.00 city for the past year. The closing on which we have to pay four per cent. piece of business was the acceptance of interest annually; as the funds to increase the amount to pay out annually for \$500, signed by D. W. McDonald

Hesiod Divided Mankind Into

three classes-those who think for themselves, those who think as others think, is a fourth class—those who know it all without thinking. We think for those who wait and wait for those who think. tual.) S. S. Ballard, general agent, Law rence building, Montpelier, Vt.

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Is. Vaugban Store

OPPOSES AUTO FIRE TRUCK.

Citizen Advances Three Reasons Against Proposed Purchase,

Barre, Vt., Jan. 30, 1912. Editor of the Barre Daily Times, Dear Sir: Through your columns wish to express my opinion as a taxpayer relative to the purchase of an auto fire truck for the city of Barre. I am opposed to the purchase of one

at this time for the following reasons: First. Auto fire trucks are in the experimental stage of development. Any well-informed automobile man can tell you that radical changes are being made in the manufacture of the trucks that are on the market to-day, and they will O. G. Robinson complained that the tell you that more changes will be made overseer of the poor had ignored his | for a few years to come, until a standard machine is developed. The city of Barro is not in a position to do the experimenting. Second. The city of Barre does not

need an auto fire truck. Our present fire department, with its excellent equip. not have any to waste. ment, affords ample fire protection fo our city. Our fire records since its installation prove this statement. No city in New England of the size of Barre has better fire protection. chief will only direct all his efforts to maintaining the present efficiency of the regard to fires.

less but are getting considerably les for our money. They have lowered the sinking fund tax by ten cents and have decreased the appropriations for perma-nent work in other departments by eight cents, a total of eighteen cents; and they have lowered our taxes five cents, which makes a net increase of thirteen cents in our tax, when we take into consideration what we are getting for our money.

I would suggest to the city council that before they purchase a fire truck they give an opportunity for the citizens of Barre to vote upon this question as a city meeting. I am

Respectfully yours, A Citizen.

Those having water from the McFarland & Boyce system must be more careful about wasting so much water, as it nconveniences those on the top floors. If they are not more careful, they will George E. McFarland.

BARRE DRUG COMPANY'S FINAL

department, we need fear but very little January, 1912, it has been our pleasure to conduct a drug store that has been Third. The city ought not to pur- an advantage to its patrons to say the chase a truck now from a financial point least. The above-named company, howof view. A man would be considered ever, make no claim that they have paid very unwise who would mortgage his over any dividends to its stockholders, buy an automobile, and yet but will say that the business is all we hat a majority of our city fa- could expect and has been better than thers have practically voted to do. They we anticipated. The outlook is most are really taking money from the sink-ing fund tax, and lowering the appro-stock will doubled at least, and every printions for permanent work in other effort will be put forth to furnish our departments in order to purchase this patrons with the goods they want in truck. They point to a \$2.25 tax and our line and at prices that are attractive tell us that we can afford a fire truck to the patron of good judgment. Howand that they have made provision for ever, we are ready for all comers as it in the estimated expenditures for the well now as later. Our stock is comcoming year, and in the face of all this plete and our service is agreeable and have lowered our tax rate five cents, alert to the business. (You can judge A. D. S. watches 79 cents, guaranteed for one year, at Kendrick's drug store.

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